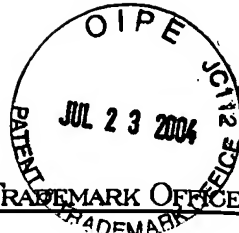




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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(l) and (p)(1)); See Figure(s) 1.

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Application No. : 10/790,551 Confirmation No.: 3682

Filed : March 1, 2004

Title : NEW SHIELD AND SEALING METHOD FOR A
HYDRODYNAMIC BEARING

Group Art Unit : 3682

Examiner : Not Yet Assigned

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Sir:

In response to the May 21, 2004 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional

Application in connection with the above-identified patent application, applicants enclose
herewith:

1. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
2. An executed German/English Language Declaration for Patent Application;
3. Submission of Replacement Drawings for Figures 1-3 (2 sheets); and
4. A check in the amount of \$130.00 in payment of the surcharge.

Please credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies in connection with this Response to Deposit Account No. 50-0675, Order No. **057517-0045**. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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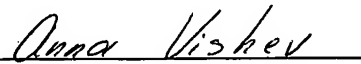
SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS

Sir:

Enclosed are Replacement Drawings for Figures 1-3 (2 sheets) in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed May 21, 2004. The Replacement Drawings comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1).

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